

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 234.6, the Department of Human Services amends Chapter 156, "Payments for Foster Care and Foster Parent Training," Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment increases basic reimbursement rates for foster family care as directed by 2008 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2425, section 32(4). This increase maintains the rates at 65 percent of the USDA estimate of the cost to raise a child in 2007, in compliance with Iowa Code section 234.38. By reference, these amounts are also the maximum payments allowed for foster care supervised apartment living maintenance payments, adoption subsidy maintenance payments, and guardianship subsidy payments.

This amendment does not provide for waivers in specified situations, since a rate increase benefits the providers affected. Requests for the waiver of any rule may be submitted under the Department's general rule on exceptions at 441—1.8(17A,217).

This amendment was previously Adopted and Filed Emergency and published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on July 2, 2008, as **ARC 6906B**. Notice of Intended Action to solicit comments on the amendment was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on the same date as **ARC 6910B**. The Department received no comments on the Notice of Intended Action. This amendment is identical to that Adopted and Filed Emergency and published under Notice of Intended Action.

The Council on Human Services adopted this amendment on August 13, 2008.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 234.6, 234.35, and 234.38 and 2008 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2425, section 32.

This amendment shall become effective October 15, 2008, at which time the amendment Adopted and Filed Emergency is rescinded.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Pursuant to recommendation of the Administrative Rules Review Committee published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin, September 10, 1986, the text of this amendment [156.6(1)] is being omitted. This amendment is identical to that published under Notice as **ARC 6910B** and Adopted and Filed Emergency as **ARC 6906B**, IAB 7/2/08.

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